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SUBJ: JDL COVERAGE AND HARASSMENT OF EMBASSY PERSONNEL

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1. MOST CENTRAL PRESS JULY 1 REPORT LATEST SOVIET PROTEST AGAINST JDL ACTIVITIES IN NEW YORK AND WASHINGTON. TASS ITEM FILED FROM WASHINGTON MENTIONS THAT SOVIET EMBASSY IN ITS PROTEST NOTE DREW ATTENTION TO DEPARTMENT'S MEMORANDUM OF MAY 20, 1970 ENTITLED "IMMUNITIES, RIGHTS, AND PRIVILEGES BELONGING TO FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS AND THEIR REPRESENTATIVES IN THE US". (EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT WHICH SOVIETS HAVE APPARENTLY JUST DISCOVERED.)

2. TASS REPORT, AS OTHERS IN RECENT DAYS, CONTINUES TO ASSERT INACCURATELY THAT NOT ONE OF HOOLIGANS ENGAGED IN PROVOCATIVE ACTIVITIES AGAINST SOVIET ESTABLISHMENTS AND PERSONNEL HAS BEEN PUNISHED IN ANY WAY. STORY ON LATEST PROTEST DIFFERS FROM COVERAGE OF EARLIER PROTESTS BY SHYING AWAY FROM ALLEGATIONS OF OFFICIAL US "CONNIVANCE" (POPUSTITEL'STVO) WITH JDL. TASS NOW TALKS OF "IMPERMISSIBLE PASSIVITY" OF US AUTHORITIES IN INSURING NORMAL WORKING CONDITIONS FOR SOVIETS IN US.

3. HARASSMENT OF EMBASSY PERSONNEL AND THEIR FAMILIES CONTINUING WITH INDICATIONS THAT MEMBERS OF "INITIATIVE GROUP" HAVE INSTRUCTIONS BE SOMEWHAT MORE AGRESSIVE. TWO INDIVIDUALS

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